

Term 2 in Year 2

This half term we will be going on a Kenyan adventure! We'll use our map reading skills to locate Kenya, surrounding countries and important physical and human features. We will also discover what it is like to live in Kenya and compare Winterbourne with cities and remote villages in Kenya. Year 2 will write fiction stories based on the story of *Lila and the Secret of Rain*, as well as writing fact files about endangered animals that live in Kenya. In addition to all of this, we will also be rehearsing for our Christmas Production with Year 1.

This term we welcome Miss Harriman, who will be teaching year 2 on Thursday mornings. In addition to this, Swift Sports coaches will be delivering our outdoor PE session on Thursday mornings.

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| Writing | Adventure stories, non-chronological report, setting description, letters |
| Reading | Vocabulary, fluency, retrieval |
| Maths | Addition and subtraction, multiplication and division, money |
| Science | Living things and their habitats |
| Geography | Human and physical geography, comparing the UK with Kenya, using atlases and maps |
| Computing | Computer art |
| Jigsaw (PSHE) | Celebrating difference |
| PE | Gymnastics, outdoor games |
| RE | Why does Christmas matter? |
| DT | Food hygiene, mixing, knife skills |

Reading

Thank you for supporting your child with their reading at home. It is very much appreciated and it makes such a difference to your child's reading and writing. Please continue to listen to your child read at home at least 4 times a week. Please remember to write in your child's reading record to indicate when they have read to you. This can be books from school or from home. Books will continue to be changed on a **Thursday**.

Homework

Homework will continue to be set on a Friday. This will consist of spellings to learn and times tables practise on Times Tables Rock Stars. The children will be tested on their spellings on the following Friday. Every Friday we will also award dojo points to those children who have practised their times tables during the past week.

PE

Our PE sessions this term will be on Wednesdays (indoor) and Thursdays (outdoor), however we ask that kits remain in school all week. Please ensure that your child has a full PE kit in school, which should consist of a t-shirt, sports shorts, trainers and socks. As we are now approaching the winter months, the children are encouraged to bring in warmer sports clothing, such as tracksuit bottoms, hoodies etc.

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to ask.

Thank you for your continuing support,

Miss Marriott